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FATAL PEDESTRIAN COLLISION EAST 29TH STREET AND SOUTH BEVERLY AVENUE

On January 13, 2022, just after 8:45 p.m., officers from Operations Division Midtown were dispatched to the intersection of E. 29th St. and S. Beverly Ave. for a report of a pedestrian lying in the roadway. Once Tucson Fire personnel and officers arrived, the pedestrian was pronounced deceased at the scene. The pedestrian was identified as 58-year-old **Pandora Rodriguez**. Next of kin was notified. Traffic Unit Detectives were contacted and responded to continue the investigation.

Evidence recovered at the scene indicated that Ms. Rodriguez was in a wheelchair with her dog while trying to cross 29th Street – in an unknown direction. As the pedestrian was crossing the street, she was struck by a vehicle in the eastbound curb lane of 29th Street. After the collision, the involved vehicle failed to stop and fled from the area. Ms. Rodriguez was approximately fifty feet east of the crosswalk when she was struck.

Detectives are actively pursuing leads and are asking anyone with information to call 911 or 88-CRIME. The involved vehicle is believed to be a 1996-2006 pickup truck or SUV made by General Motors and should have front end damage. Additional updates will be provided as they become available.

Traffic Fatalities Year to Date:

For 2021 – 2	For 2022 – 7
Pedestrian – 1	Pedestrian – 3
Bicycle – 0	Bicycle – 0
Motorcycle – 1	Motorcycle – 1
Vehicle - 0	Vehicle – 3

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